Fishing in poramboke canals in Parur taluk.

401. * **MR. A. K. KUMARAN VAIDYAN**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have decided to give the right of fishing in poramboke canals in Parur taluk to any individual in Cochin State;

(*b*) whether the Professor of Marine Biology had any discussions and consultations on the subject with that individual; and

(*c*) if so, when and where?

DR. K. L. MOUDGILL: (*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*). Do not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

Sub-Registrar's Office, Adoor.

402. * **MR. E. E. PANDARATHIL** (*Travancore Jenmies, South*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the accommodation of the Adoor Sub-Registrar's Office in the enclosed verandahs of the Taluk Cutcherry is inadequate?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR: Yes.

Tours of the P. W. D. Advisory Committee.

403. * **MR. S. NARAYANA PILLAI**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the dates on which the P. W. D. Advisory Committee was on tour and the places they visited in 1116; and

(*b*) whether the Committee gave notice or information of their visit to the members of the Legislature of the places they visited?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: (*a*) A * statement containing the required information is laid on the table.

(*b*) The tour programme was published in newspapers.

Scarcity of water at Munrothuruthu and West Quilon.

404. * **MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether Government have received representations regarding scarcity of good drinking water at Munrothuruthu and West Quilon in the Quilon taluk; and

(*b*) if answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what steps have been taken thereon?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The question of Water Supply was considered but in view of the very high cost involved, it was dropped for the present.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether any enquiry was made?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: Yes.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know whether any report was submitted and if so the nature of the report?

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* *Vide* Appendix IX, pages 925—928.

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MR. J. W. CHACKO: The report says that it is possible to make arrangements for the water supply but the cost is very great.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: What were the suggestions made in the report in regard to the supply of water?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: There were two suggestions. One was to bring water through pipes from the higher levels down to the lower levels. The other was to sink tube wells in the low level regions.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: May I know which is the less costly of those two schemes?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: The less costly is to bring down water from the higher levels.

MR P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: What would be the approximate cost if water is supplied in all the localities?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: If water is supplied to all the localities in the low level regions of the island, it would cost about Rs. 10,000.

MR P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: What would be the approximate cost if water is supplied to the Munro Island and west coast of Quilon?

MR. J. W. CHACKO: It is not possible to answer now.

Effects of the inauguration of the Transport Service.

405. *MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of private buses which have been thrown out of service on account of the inauguration of the Transport Service from Quilon to Punalur and other eastern localities of the State:

(*b*) whether any help has been rendered to owners of such buses for mitigating the hardship arising consequently; and

(*c*) if so, the nature of the help rendered?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: (*a*) 17 buses have been thrown out of service on account of the inauguration of the State Transport Service on the Quilon-Shencotta route.

(*b*) and (*c*). Applications received from the owners for routes and timings for their buses are under consideration.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: May I know whether the applicants were not given previous intimation that the line would be taken up by the State Transport?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: Yes, sir.

MR. M. SIVATHANU PILLAI: May I know whether applicants from this line will be taken into consideration when applications for other lines are sanctioned?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA KHAN BAHADUR G. S. ABDUL KARIM SAHIB SUHRAWARDY: We are now considering all the applications together.

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